

Easterling, Deborah

From: Easterling, Deborah
Sent: Tuesday, January 09, 2018 11:37 AM
To: 'E Sckngr'
Subject: RE: 2017 -292-WS Letter of protest

Dear Erik Sickinger,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Letter of Protest/Comments to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina. Your Letter of Protest/Comments will be placed in the Protest File of the Docket listed below and on the Commission's Website at www.psc.sc.gov.

- Docket No. 2017-292-WS - Application of Carolina Water Service, Incorporated for Approval of an Increase in Its Rates for Water and Sewer Services

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According to the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, filing a Protest does not make you a Party of Record. A Protestant desiring to become an Intervenor (i.e., a Party of Record) in a proceeding before the Commission may file a Petition for Intervention within the time prescribed by the Commission.

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If we may be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Deborah Easterling
 Executive Assistant
 Public Service Commission of South Carolina
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To: PSC_Contact <Contact@psc.sc.gov>
Subject: 2017 -292-WS Letter of protest

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**Letter of Protest
in Docket 2017 -292-WS**

* Required Fields

Date: *1/9/2018

Protestant Information:

Name * Erik Sickinger

Mailing Address *

City* Irmo

State* SC

Zip *29063

Phone *

E-mail *

1. What is your connection or interest in this case? * For example, are you a customer of the Company that is the subject of this pending proceeding? (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)

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2. Please give a concise statement of your protest. * (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)

The utility in question has profited from lax treatment and environmental protection procedures. Now that the utility has been mandated to fix and pay the fines resulting from these lax procedures, they are asking that their customers foot the bill. The proposed rate increase would increase a bill which is already in the 80th percentile, and put Columbia/Irmo area residents into the 99th percentile, paying among the highest resident sewer rates in the nation. This is unacceptable for a utility which has historically had issues treating wastewater before dumping it into our local watershed.

3. Do you wish to make an appearance at a hearing in this proceeding , if scheduled, and offer sworn testimony? *

No